

Washington Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System

2004 Tobacco Survey Results

Whitman County

What is your age?

n = 202

18 - 34	44.1%	(± 8.2%)
35 - 54	31.4	(± 7.3)
55 - 74	18.6	(± 5.5)
75+	5.9	(± 2.9)

Gender

n = 202

Male	53.0%	(± 7.8%)
Female	47.0	(± 7.8)

Which one of these groups would you say best represents your race...

n = 200

White	91.2%	(± 5.6%)
Black or African American	0.0	(± 0.0)
Asian	5.2	(± 4.7)
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0.0	(± 0.0)
American Indian, Alaska Native	0.9	(± 1.9)
Other race	2.4	(± 2.8)
No preferred race	0.3	(± 0.6)

Are you Hispanic or Latino/Latina?

n = 199

Yes	4.6%	(± 3.7%)
No	95.4	(± 3.7)

Marital status

n = 201

Married	59.4%	(± 8.0%)
Divorced	5.6	(± 2.7)
Widowed	3.7	(± 1.8)
Separated	0.3	(± 0.6)
Never been married	28.0	(± 8.0)
Or a member of an unmarried couple	3.0	(± 2.5)

How many children less than 18 years of age live in your household?

n = 202

None	63.8%	(± 7.7%)
1	14.7	(± 5.8)
2	13.6	(± 5.4)
3 or more	7.8	(± 4.0)

What is the highest grade or year of school you completed?

n = 202

Some high school or less	2.6%	(± 2.2%)
High school graduate or GED	16.8	(± 5.8)
Some college or technical school	36.5	(± 7.9)
College graduate or more	44.1	(± 8.0)

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Are you currently. . .

n = 202

Employed for wages	53.5%	(± 8.0%)
Self-employed	5.8	(± 3.3)
Out of work	0.6	(± 0.8)
Homemaker	7.1	(± 3.7)
Student	19.6	(± 7.0)
Retired	12.1	(± 4.1)
Or unable to work	1.4	(± 1.6)

Annual household income from all sources

n = 176

Less than \$20,000	25.3%	(± 7.9%)
\$20,000 to less than \$50,000	40.1	(± 8.1)
\$50,000 or more	34.6	(± 8.1)

Have you smoked at least 100 cigarettes in your entire life?

n = 256

Yes	30.0%	(± 6.7%)
No	70.0	(± 6.7)

Among those that have smoked at least 100 cigarettes in their entire life:**Do you now smoke cigarettes everyday, some days, or not at all?**

n = 76

Everyday	36.8%	(± 14.4%)
Some days	17.5	(± 10.3)
Not at all	45.7	(± 13.6)

Among current smokers:**During the past 12 months, have you stopped smoking for 1 day or longer because you were trying to quit smoking?**

n = 36

Yes	*	*
No	*	*

Current cigarette smoking prevalence:

n = 256

(every day or some day smokers among the whole population)	16.3%	(± 6.0%)
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Among those that have smoked at least 100 cigarettes:**Did you smoke any cigarettes during the past 30 days?**

n = 60

Yes	54.3%	(± 15.4%)
No	45.7	(± 15.4)

Among those that have smoked in the past 30 days:**On how many days of the past 30 days did you smoke cigarettes?**

n = 29

Less than 30 days	*	*
30 days	*	*

Among those that have smoked in the past 30 days:**On average, about how many cigarettes per day do you smoke, on the days that you do smoke?**

n = 29

Average:	*	*
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Have you ever tried using smokeless tobacco, like chew, dip or snuff?	n = 200	
Yes	29.4%	(± 7.9%)
No	70.6	(± 7.9)

Among those that have ever tried smokeless tobacco:

On how many of the past 30 days did you use smokeless tobacco products?	n = 46	
None	*	*
Less than 30 days	*	*
30 days	*	*

Current smokeless tobacco prevalence:	n = 200	
(any use in past 30 days among the whole population)	4.0%	(± 3.6%)

In the past month, have you smoked a cigar, even just a puff?	n = 200	
Yes	6.7%	(± 4.9%)
No	93.3	(± 4.9)

Current tobacco use (all types of tobacco)	n = 200	
Current daily tobacco user	20.2%	(± 7.0%)
Current non-tobacco user	79.8	(± 7.0)

Among former smokers:

About how long has it been since you last smoked cigarettes regularly, that is, daily?	n = 31	
Within the past month (less than 1 month ago)	*	*
Within the past 3 months (1-3 months ago)	*	*
Within the past 6 months (3-6 months ago)	*	*
Within the past year (6-12 months ago)	*	*
Within the past 5 years (1-5 years ago)	*	*
Within the past 15 years (5-15 years ago)	*	*
More than 15 years ago	*	*
Never used regularly	*	*

Among former smokers:

When you last smoked cigarettes regularly, on average, how many days per month did you smoke?	n = 30	
Average:	*	*

Among former smokers:

When you last smoked cigarettes regularly, on average, how many cigarettes did you smoke per day?	n = 30	
Average:	*	*

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Among never smokers less than 30 years old:

Do you think that you will smoke a cigarette anytime during the next year? n = 24

Definitely yes	*	*
Probably yes	*	*
Probably no	*	*
Definitely no	*	*

Among never smokers less than 30 years old:

If you or your best friends offered you a cigarette, would you smoke it? n = 24

Definitely yes	*	*
Probably yes	*	*
Probably no	*	*
Definitely no	*	*

Among current tobacco users:

About how much do you usually spend on tobacco products every week? n = 34

Less than \$25	*	*
At least \$25 but less than \$55	*	*
More than \$55	*	*

Among current tobacco users:

In the past month, did you buy tobacco on a Native American reservation? n = 34

Yes	*	*
No	*	*

Among current tobacco users:

In the past month, did you buy tobacco from the Internet? n = 34

Yes	*	*
No	*	*

Among current tobacco users:

During the past month, did you buy tobacco outside the state to save money - not just because you were traveling? n = 34

Yes	*	*
No	*	*

Among current/former tobacco users:

People close to me are/were upset by my using tobacco. n = 59

Strongly agree	40.4%	(± 15.3%)
Somewhat agree	24.5	(± 13.5)
Somewhat disagree	22.0	(± 13.0)
Strongly disagree	13.1	(± 9.1)

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Among current/former tobacco users:

When was the last time a DOCTOR or other healthcare provider advised you to quit, if ever?	n = 64	
Within the past year (1-12 months)	18.3%	(± 13.1%)
Within the past three years (1-3 years)	13.3	(± 10.2)
3 or more years ago	14.1	(± 9.5)
They never advised me to quit	54.3	(± 14.9)

Among current/former tobacco users:

When was the last time a DENTIST advised you to quit, if ever?	n = 65	
Within the past year (1-12 months)	11.1%	(± 10.0%)
Within the past three years (1-3 years)	3.8	(± 4.0)
3 or more years ago	3.7	(± 5.0)
They never advised me to quit	81.4	(± 11.3)

Among current/former tobacco users:

When was the last time a PHARMACIST advised you to quit, if ever?	n = 64	
Within the past year (1-12 months)	0.0%	(± 0.0%)
Within the past three years (1-3 years)	0.0	(± 0.0)
3 or more years ago	2.0	(± 2.8)
They never advised me to quit	98.0	(± 2.8)

Among those advised to quit:

Did the health care professional who advised to quit offer any help, or refer you to a source of help to quit tobacco use?	n = 32	
Yes	*	*
No	*	*

What type of health coverage do you use to pay for most of your medical care? Is it coverage through. . . n = 177

Your employer	48.2%	(± 8.6%)
Someone else's employer	23.7	(± 8.2)
A plan that you or someone buys on your own	9.8	(± 5.0)
Medicare	11.0	(± 4.1)
Medicaid or Medical Assistance	3.4	(± 2.5)
The military, CHAMPUS, or the VA	3.7	(± 3.5)
The Indian Health Service	0.0	(± 0.0)
Some other source	0.2	(± 0.4)

Among current and recent former smokers:

Within the past year, have you heard about any programs in your community to help you quit using tobacco, such as classes, support groups or counseling services?	n = 28	
Yes	*	*
No	*	*

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Among current and recent former smokers:

Within the past year, did your employer offer any stop-smoking class or other programs to help employees quit using tobacco? n = 15

Yes	*	*
No	*	*

Among current and recent former smokers with health care coverage:

Does your health care insurance coverage pay for the cost of any help to quit using tobacco, such as a stop-smoking program or nicotine patches, pills or other medications? n = 20

Yes	*	*
No	*	*
Don't know/Not sure	*	*

Among current and recent former smokers:

Have you heard about the Washington State "Quit-Line" - a telephone support service to help people quit using tobacco? n = 28

Yes	*	*
No	*	*

Among current and recent former smokers who have heard of the "Quit-Line":

Would you ever call a telephone support service for help in quitting tobacco? n = 27

Definitely Yes	*	*
Probably Yes	*	*
Probably No	*	*
Definitely No	*	*

Among current and recent former smokers who have heard of the "Quit-Line":

Have you called the Quit line? n = 14

Yes	*	*
No	*	*

Among current tobacco users:

Would you like to quit using tobacco? n = 35

Yes	*	*
No	*	*

Among current tobacco users who would like to quit:

Are you seriously considering quitting tobacco use within the next 6 months? n = 20

Yes	*	*
No	*	*

Among current tobacco users considering quitting within 6 months:

Are you planning to stop within the next 30 days? n = 18

Yes	*	*
No	*	*
Don't know/Not sure	*	*

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Are you currently registered to vote?		n = 200
Yes	86.2%	(± 6.1%)
No	13.8	(± 6.1)

Which of the following statements best describes the rules about smoking in your home. . .		n = 198
No one is allowed to smoke anywhere inside your home	87.4%	(± 5.4%)
Smoking is allowed at some places or at some times	5.4	(± 3.7)
Smoking is permitted anywhere inside your home	7.1	(± 4.2)

How many people, including you, who live in your household currently smoke cigarettes, cigars, or pipes?		n = 200
No current smokers in household	76.3%	(± 7.6%)
1	16.3	(± 6.4)
2	3.0	(± 2.8)
3 or more	4.3	(± 4.9)

On how many of the past 30 days has someone, including you, smoked cigarettes, cigars, or pipes anywhere inside your home?		n = 199
None	88.2%	(± 6.0%)
Less than 30	4.9	(± 4.2)
30 days	6.9	(± 4.7)

If it were just up to you, would you let people smoke inside your home?		n = 199
Yes	9.2%	(± 4.6%)
No	90.8	(± 4.6)

Among people who are currently employed for wages:

When you are at work, do you spend most of your time in an. . .		n = 110
Office	44.4%	(± 10.7%)
Store	5.9	(± 4.2)
Restaurant or Bar	7.2	(± 6.1)
Warehouse or factory	10.5	(± 8.5)
Home/Someone elses home	4.7	(± 4.2)
Outdoors	11.3	(± 6.5)
Car or truck	4.4	(± 4.5)
Classroom	3.9	(± 3.8)
Hospital	4.8	(± 3.8)
Somewhere else	2.9	(± 3.0)

Among people who are currently employed for wages:

Is smoking allowed in any of the following areas at your workplace. . . Some or all indoor work areas?		n = 104
Yes	12.5%	(± 7.7%)
No	87.5	(± 7.7)

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Among people who are currently employed for wages:

Is smoking allowed in any of the following areas at your workplace. . . Employee lunchrooms or lounges? n = 102

Yes	6.8%	(± 5.7%)
No	93.2	(± 5.7)

Among people who are currently employed for wages:

Is smoking allowed in any of the following areas at your workplace. . . A different designated indoor smoking area? n = 102

Yes	8.5%	(± 6.6%)
No	91.5	(± 6.6)

Among people who are currently employed for wages:

In a typical week, how many hours would you say that you are in a room or car with secondhand smoke while you are at work? n = 110

None	91.4%	(± 6.2%)
Less than one hour	7.2	(± 5.9)
One hour or more	1.4	(± 2.0)

In general, would you say that breathing secondhand smoke is. . . n = 198

Not at all annoying to you	8.3%	(± 4.2%)
A little bit annoying	9.9	(± 5.7)
Somewhat annoying	26.6	(± 7.3)
Very annoying to you	55.2	(± 8.2)

Would you say that breathing secondhand smoke is. . . n = 198

Not at all harmful	0.3%	(± 0.5%)
A little bit harmful	3.6	(± 2.5)
Somewhat harmful	30.7	(± 7.7)
Very harmful	65.5	(± 7.8)

All children should be protected from secondhand smoke. n = 194

Strongly agree	86.4%	(± 5.6%)
Somewhat agree	7.4	(± 4.1)
Somewhat disagree	5.7	(± 4.2)
Strongly disagree	0.5	(± 0.7)

Do you think that smoking should not be allowed at all in restaurants? n = 200

Yes	76.0%	(± 7.4%)
No	22.7	(± 7.3)
Don't know/Not sure	1.3	(± 1.9)

Do you think that smoking should not be allowed in bars and lounges? n = 199

Yes	41.3%	(± 7.9%)
No	48.9	(± 8.1)
Don't know/Not sure	9.8	(± 4.4)

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Do you think that smoking should not be allowed in outdoor public areas where children may be present?	n = 199	
Yes	55.3%	(± 8.1%)
No	37.5	(± 7.9)
Don't know/Not sure	7.2	(± 4.2)

Local law enforcement officials should place a high priority on enforcing laws that ban the possession of tobacco products by minors.	n = 196	
Strongly agree	53.0%	(± 8.1%)
Somewhat agree	22.0	(± 6.3)
Somewhat disagree	18.1	(± 6.9)
Strongly disagree	6.9	(± 4.0)

The city or town where you live should establish as many strong rules and laws as possible to protect nonsmokers, including children, from secondhand smoke.	n = 195	
Strongly agree	44.4%	(± 8.1%)
Somewhat agree	29.2	(± 7.2)
Somewhat disagree	15.2	(± 6.0)
Strongly disagree	11.2	(± 5.8)

School officials should make sure that all children receive anti-tobacco education.	n = 197	
Strongly agree	82.7%	(± 5.9%)
Somewhat agree	13.5	(± 5.4)
Somewhat disagree	2.7	(± 2.2)
Strongly disagree	1.1	(± 1.8)

Tobacco use by adults should not be allowed on school grounds or at any school events.	n = 197	
Strongly agree	80.9%	(± 7.0%)
Somewhat agree	9.2	(± 4.8)
Somewhat disagree	8.6	(± 5.5)
Strongly disagree	1.3	(± 1.5)

Have you seen or heard about any efforts or activities in your community or in schools to prevent or reduce tobacco use among youth?	n = 190	
Yes	48.6%	(± 8.4%)
No	51.4	(± 8.4)

There are so many things that cause cancer, tobacco use is not going to make any difference.	n = 197	
Strongly agree	2.9%	(± 2.0%)
Somewhat agree	3.6	(± 3.0)
Somewhat disagree	12.4	(± 5.7)
Strongly disagree	81.2	(± 6.4)

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Would you ever use or wear something that has a tobacco company logo or picture on it?		n = 195	
Yes	20.8%	(± 7.4%)	
No	79.2	(± 7.4)	

Do you currently have a piece of clothing, or other item that has a tobacco brand or logo on it?		n = 197	
Yes	12.4%	(± 5.2%)	
No	87.6	(± 5.2)	

During the past year, have you received a free sample or coupon for a free sample of cigarettes or other tobacco products?		n = 198	
Yes	12.2%	(± 5.2%)	
No	87.8	(± 5.2)	

During the past year have you been somewhere, such as concert or special event, where tobacco companies were having a promotion - for example, giving away free samples or having a special give-away?		n = 198	
Yes	8.3%	(± 4.3%)	
No	91.7	(± 4.3)	

Tobacco companies should have the same rights to advertise their products as other companies.		n = 188	
Strongly agree	16.9%	(± 6.1%)	
Somewhat agree	25.1	(± 6.9)	
Somewhat disagree	14.9	(± 5.8)	
Strongly disagree	43.1	(± 8.3)	

<i>Among people with children ages 12 to 17:</i>			
Have you told your child specifically that you do not want him or her to use tobacco?		n = 30	
Yes	*	*	
No	*	*	

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